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Housing blooms at last at once-toxic Hunters Point shipyard site

By Peter Fimrite  
San Francisco Chronicle (CA)  
June 8, 2015

The flush of excitement that new homeowners get as they move into 88 new units of housing at the former Hunters Point Naval Shipyard this spring and summer is providing an extra glow for San Francisco officials, who have been battling the Geiger counter for decades to get the homes built.

The 420-acre shipyard was one of the nation's most polluted sites, the center of a federal nuclear program in 1946 that included a secret laboratory where tests were conducted to determine the effects of radiation on living organisms. Military equipment and ships contaminated by atomic bomb explosions were kept at Hunters Point, and the grounds were also polluted with petroleum fuels, pesticides, heavy metals, PCBs, organic compounds and asbestos from the grading of serpentine rock in the hills.

Now, as the first residents begin moving in and unpacking in the cleaned-up former Superfund site, a long, troubling era is ending.

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For the entire article, see  
<http://www.sfchronicle.com/science/article/Housing-blooms-at-last-at-once-toxic-Hunters-6314858.php?cmpid=prem2>

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